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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2005–06 REGULAR SESSION

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 1570**

**Introduced by Assembly Member Salinas**

February 22, 2005

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An act to ~~amend Section 44253.4 of~~ *add Section 44253.75 to the Education Code*, relating to teacher credentialing.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1570, as amended, Salinas. Teacher credentialing: ~~limited-English-proficient pupils certificates.~~

*The Teacher Credentialing Law of 1988 establishes the Commission on Teacher Credentialing, among other things, to establish professional standards, assessments, and examinations for entry and advancement in the education profession, and to grant teaching credentials. The existing act requires the commission to promulgate regulations to clarify and to make specific the requirements and authorizations of credentials, certificates, and permits established pursuant to its provisions. Existing regulations require the commission to administer examinations for, and to issue, Bilingual, Crosscultural, Language, and Academic Development (BCLAD) certificates.*

*This bill would require the commission to administer the BCLAD examinations and to use the requirements for BCLAD certification that have been in effect prior to January 1, 2006, until newly developed examinations and requirements for certification are approved by the commission.*

~~Existing law requires the Commission on Teacher Credentialing to issue a certificate that authorizes the holder to provide certain services to limited-English-proficient pupils.~~

~~This bill would make technical, nonsubstantive changes to those provisions.~~

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: ~~no~~ yes.  
State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

1 ~~SECTION 1. Section 44253.4 of the Education Code is~~  
2 ~~amended to read:~~

3 *SECTION 1. Section 44253.75 is added to the Education*  
4 *Code, to read:*

5 *44253.75. The commission shall continue to administer the*  
6 *current Bilingual, Cross-cultural, Language, and Academic*  
7 *Development (BCLAD) examinations and to use the requirements*  
8 *for BCLAD certification that have been in effect prior to January*  
9 *1, 2006, until newly developed examinations and requirements*  
10 *for certification are approved by the commission.*

11 ~~44253.4. (a) The commission shall issue a certificate that~~  
12 ~~authorizes the holder to provide all of the following services to~~  
13 ~~limited-English-proficient pupils:~~

14 ~~(1) Instruction for English language development in preschool,~~  
15 ~~kindergarten, grades 1 to 12, inclusive, and classes organized~~  
16 ~~primarily for adults, except when the requirement specified in~~  
17 ~~paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) is satisfied by the possession of~~  
18 ~~a children's center instructional permit pursuant to Sections 8363~~  
19 ~~and 44252.7, a children's center supervision permit pursuant to~~  
20 ~~Section 8363, or a designated subjects teaching credential in~~  
21 ~~adult education pursuant to Section 44260.2. If the requirement~~  
22 ~~specified in paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) is satisfied by the~~  
23 ~~possession of a children's center instructional permit, or a~~  
24 ~~children's center supervision permit, then instruction for English~~  
25 ~~language development shall be limited to the programs~~  
26 ~~authorized by that permit. If the requirement specified in~~  
27 ~~paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) is satisfied by the possession of~~  
28 ~~a designated subjects teaching credential in adult education, then~~  
29 ~~instruction for English language development is limited to~~  
30 ~~classes organized primarily for adults.~~

31 ~~(2) Specially designed content instruction delivered in English~~  
32 ~~in the subjects and at the levels authorized by the prerequisite~~

1 ~~credential or permit used to satisfy the requirement specified in~~  
2 ~~paragraph (1) of subdivision (b).~~

3 ~~(3) Content instruction delivered in the primary language of~~  
4 ~~the pupil in the subjects and at the levels authorized by the~~  
5 ~~prerequisite credential or permit used to satisfy the requirement~~  
6 ~~specified in paragraph (1) of subdivision (b).~~

7 ~~(4) Instruction for primary language development in~~  
8 ~~preschool, kindergarten, grades 1 to 12, inclusive, and classes~~  
9 ~~organized primarily for adults, except when the requirement~~  
10 ~~specified in paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) is satisfied by the~~  
11 ~~possession of a children's center instructional permit, a children's~~  
12 ~~center supervision permit, or a designated subjects teaching~~  
13 ~~credential in adult education. If the requirement specified in~~  
14 ~~paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) is satisfied by the possession of~~  
15 ~~a children's center instructional permit or a children's center~~  
16 ~~supervision permit, then instruction for primary language~~  
17 ~~development is limited to the programs authorized by that permit.~~  
18 ~~If the requirement specified in paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) is~~  
19 ~~satisfied by the possession of a designated subjects teaching~~  
20 ~~credential in adult education, then instruction for primary~~  
21 ~~language development is limited to classes organized primarily~~  
22 ~~for adults.~~

23 ~~(b) The minimum requirements for the certificate shall include~~  
24 ~~all of the following:~~

25 ~~(1) Possession of a valid California teaching credential,~~  
26 ~~services credential, children's center instructional permit, or~~  
27 ~~children's center supervision permit which credential or permit~~  
28 ~~authorizes the holder to provide instruction to pupils in~~  
29 ~~preschool, kindergarten, any of grades 1 to 12, inclusive, or~~  
30 ~~classes primarily organized for adults, except for the following:~~

31 ~~(A) Emergency credentials or permits.~~

32 ~~(B) Exchange credentials as specified in Section 44333.~~

33 ~~(C) District intern credentials as specified in Section 44325.~~

34 ~~(D) Sojourn-certificated employee credentials as specified in~~  
35 ~~Section 44856.~~

36 ~~(E) Teacher education internship credentials as specified in~~  
37 ~~Article 3 (commencing with Section 44450) of Chapter 3.~~

38 ~~(2) Passage of one or more examinations that the commission~~  
39 ~~determines are necessary for demonstrating the knowledge and~~

1 skills required for effective delivery of the services authorized by  
2 the certificate.

3 ~~(c) To earn the certificate, a teacher who holds the certificate~~  
4 ~~described in Section 44253.3, or in Article 3.5 (commencing with~~  
5 ~~Section 44475) of Chapter 3, as that section and that article~~  
6 ~~existed on December 31, 1992, shall not be required to pass~~  
7 ~~examinations that primarily assess the skills and knowledge~~  
8 ~~necessary for effective delivery of the services authorized by the~~  
9 ~~certificates they possess.~~

10 ~~(d) The certificate shall remain valid as long as the~~  
11 ~~prerequisite credential or permit specified in paragraph (1) of~~  
12 ~~subdivision (b) remains valid.~~

13 ~~(e) The commission shall initially issue certificates for~~  
14 ~~languages spoken by the largest numbers of~~  
15 ~~limited-English-proficient pupils for which there are reasonable~~  
16 ~~numbers of teachers or potential teachers who speak those~~  
17 ~~languages. The commission shall explore alternative ways to~~  
18 ~~make certificates available for other languages.~~